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SUBJ: PHILIPPINE INVITATION TO ISLAMIC FOREIGN MINISTERS'
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1. COMMENTING ON ASSOCIATED PRESS REPORT FROM MANILA THAT GOP WILL BE INVITED TO ISLAMIC FONMINS CONF JUNE 21-25, PHILIPPINE AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE YUSUP ABUBAKAR TOLD PRESS JUNE 12 THAT HE HAS NOT RECEIVED NOTIFICATION TO THIS EFFECT FROM MANILA. MALAY LANGUAGE PAPERS "UTUSAN MALAYSIA" AND "BERITA HARIAN" NOTED ABUBAKAR ATTENDED ISLAMIC SUMMIT IN BENGHAZI IN MARCH 1973 AND THAT HE IS EXPECTED TO INFORM FONMINS AT UPCOMING SESSION OF SITUATION IN SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES. ACCORDING LOCAL ASSOCIATED PRESS REPORT CARRIED IN "UTUSAN MALAYSIA", GOM FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN YESTERDAY DISCLAIMED KNOWLEDGE OF INVITATION TO GOP AND PROXPSD TO CHECK IT OUT WITH CONFERENCE SECRETARIAT. THUS
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FAR CONFERENCE SECRETARIAT HAS NOT CLARIFIED MATTER.

2. COMMENT: ABUBAKAR IS DUE TO PRESENT HIS CREDENTIALS TO KING JUNE 15 IN NICK OF TIME BEFORE FONMINS MEETING. IF INVITATION TO GOP TO ATTEND SESSION AS OBSERVER HAS NOT ALREADY BEEN ISSUED, IT WOULD SEEM DIFFICULT FOR MALAYSIAN CONFERENCE ORGANIZERS NOT TO DO SO IN VIEW OF OFFICIAL AGENDA ITEM ON PLIGHT OF MUSLIMS IN SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES.
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